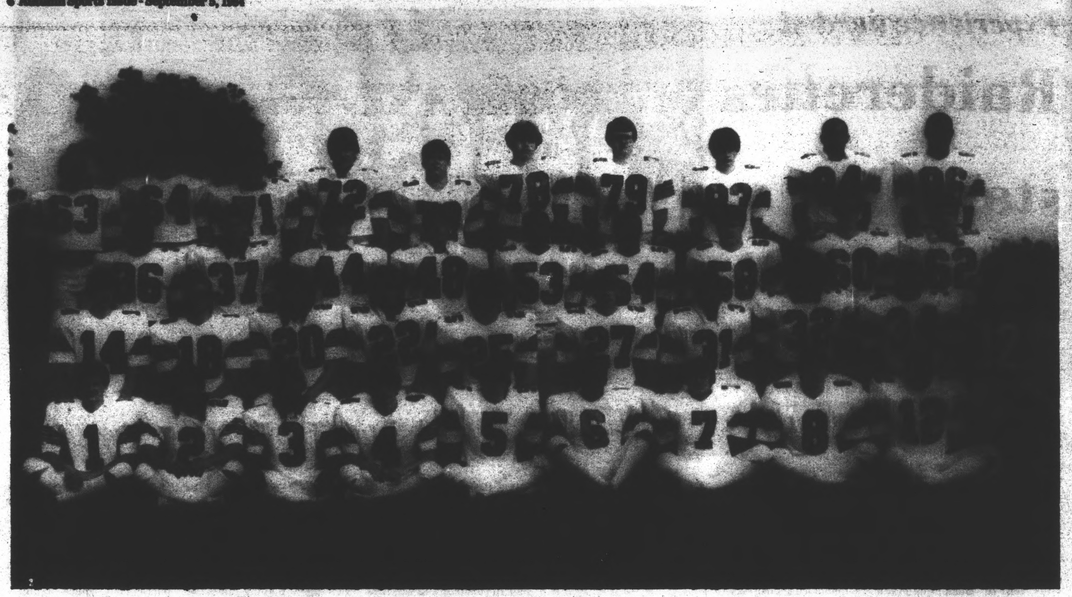

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The 1984 Varsity Red Devil Football Team

Red Devils' squad experience is good

Rustburg High School's Red Devil football team suffered from a lack of seasoned players last year.

Because the bulk of 1982's starters were lost to graduation, coach Ray Wade in 1983 had to use many athletes who had virtually no varsity experience.

As often is the case, however, last year's liability may have spawned this year's asset for the Red Devils.

The Red Devils, who finished with a 5-5 record in 1983, return to their 1984 squad a host of players who saw considerable playing time last year.

Mike Anderson, a 6-1, 200-pound junior, will return to his position on the offensive line this season, pulling duty at the guard and tackle spots.

Eric Elliott, a 5-7, 160-pound junior, will operate from the Devils' quarterback slot this season. Elliott is a well-seasoned athlete, and was Rustburg's leading ground gainer, running as a halfback, in 1983.

Todd Marr, a 5-10, 160-pound junior, will also return this season to his position as Rustburg's fullback, and Gerry Crance, a 5-9, 165-pound junior, will again this season serve as running back for the Red Devils.

Wade notes that Eric Jackson, a 6-0, 202-pound junior, will play at guard and tackle this season on the Red Devils' offensive line.

Phillip Smith, a 5-9, 204-pound junior, and Mike Gordon, a 6-2, 165-pound senior, are currently battling for the starting job at the center position.

Senior Marshall Tweedy, at 5-10 and 172 pounds, will start at one of the guard or tackle spots on the Devils' offensive interior line, and Will Ballagh, Pat Mullen and Gary Stanley are all in contention to join Tweedy, Jackson and Anderson in Rustburg's offensive guard-and-tackle corps.

Doug Engelke (5-9, 168 pounds), will start his senior year at tight end for Rustburg, according to Wade, and Craig Roberts, a 6-0, 150-pound junior, will see time at the wide receiver position for the Red Devils.

Wade adds that Brian Anderson, a 6-0, 155-pound senior, will serve as backup to Elliott at the quarterback position this season.

The Red Devils will also have considerable playing experience in their defensive unit this season.

Eric Jackson will play defensive tackle in addition to his duties as an offensive lineman, and he will be joined on the defensive line by Marshall Tweedy, another two-way man who will play at end defensively for Rustburg.

Ronnie Davis, a 6-1, 185-pound senior, will play at one inside linebacker post for Rustburg, and senior Mickey Paige (6-0, 200 pounds), who garnered all-district honors in 1983, will fill the other inside linebacker spot.

The Red Devils' outside linebackers this season will be Brad Hirtz, a 5-11, 155 pound junior, who started at the position for Rustburg during the last part of the 1983 season, and Doug Engelke, another Red Devil who will play both ways this season.

Joining Marshall Tweedy at defensive end this season will be LeAngelo Wood, a 5-9, 173-pound junior who

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Varsity Red Devil Roster

RUSTBURG FOOTBALL ROSTER

No.	Player	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	Gr.
1	Brian Anderson	6'0"	155	P	12
2	Greg Smith	5'6"	145	DB	12
3	Barry Clark	5'5"	145	DB	12
4	Phillip Reynolds	5'6"	110	E	10
5	Steve Ferrell	5'7"	134	DB	10
6	Bernard Jefferson	5'9"	149	E	12
7	Jeff Smith	5'5"	137	DB	10
8	Rick Marilla	5'10"	160	DB	11
12	Sean Brice	5'9"	148	DB	10
14	Craig Roberts	6'0"	150	DB	11
20	Doug Engelke	5'9"	168	LB	12
22	Ricky Carroll	5'10"	155	DB	10
25	Gordon McCraw	5'9"	156	DB	11
27	Nelson Wohlford	5'9"	133	DB	10
31	Elroy Tune	5'9"	180	LB	10
32	Mickey Paige	6'0"	200	LB	12
34	Eric Elliott	5'7"	160	QB	11
36	Tim Pannell	5'11"	185	DE	10
37	Brad Hirtz	5'11"	155	LB	11
44	Gerry Crance	5'9"	165	RB	11
46	Todd Marr	5'10"	160	RB	11
18	Kevin Hirtz	5'10"	154	DB	12
53	Chris Bass	5'11"	167	L	10
54	LeAngelo Wood	5'9"	173	DE	11
58	Phillip Smith	5'9"	204	C	11
60	Mike Gordon	6'2"	165	C	12
62	Eric Jackson	6'0"	202	L	11
63	Marshall Tweedy	5'10"	172	DE	12
64	Mike Anderson	6'1"	200	L	11
71	Greg Booth	5'11"	188	L	10
72	Clay Stanley	6'0"	200	L	10
73	Will Ballagh			L	11
76	Pat Mullen	6'4"	205	L	11
79	Matt Wieringo	6'4"	217	L	11
81	Gary Stanley	5'11"	180	K	11
83	Allen Carter	6'10"	178	E	10
84	Ron Davis	6'1"	185	LB	12
86	Tracy Scott	6'3"	175	E	10

For Lady Knights

This could be the year

THE 1984 BUCKINGHAM COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LADY KNIGHT BASKETBALL TEAM: (front row, from left) - Tri-Captains Johnice Brown, Alice Apperson, and Angela Ford; (back row, from left) Head Coach Larry Davis, Becky Lutz, Sandra Anderson, Dalyn Seay, Donna Gormus, Edwina Anderson, Rhonda Johnson, and Linda Eldridge. (Photo by Bill Sherrod)

With two wins and no losses in the first week of the 1984 season, Buckingham County High School's Lady Knight girls' basketball team has laid the foundation for what could be their best season yet in the Seminole District.

After compiling a 10-8 record in the 1983 season, the team struggled last year to a 6-12 season record.

But with four starters back from last year, and with a 51-30 victory last Tuesday against Brookville and a 57-39 win Thursday against Appomattox, it that the Lady Knights are on their way to equally or bettering the 1982 season.

In his first year at the helm of the Lady Knights, coach Larry Davis says the team "is still getting used to a new offense, and the coaching."

He is, however, pleased with the results thus far this season.

The four returning starters who comprise the core of the Buckingham team this season are led by Alice Apperson, a senior forward who has earned all-district honors the past two seasons.

Joining Apperson this year from last year's squad is fellow senior Johnice Brown, who plays at guard and forward for the Lady Knights.

Two juniors have also returned to this year's starting lineup. Donna Gormus, who plays at the forward position for Buckingham, and Rhonda Johnson, a guard, both gained considerable experience in 1983 as starters for Buckingham.

Davis says that Edwina Anderson, a sophomore, will replace Vanessa Garrett, who graduated last year, at center.

Angela Ford, a senior guard, and Dalyn Seay, a freshman forward, will also see considerable playing time this season for the Buckingham team.

Three juniors, center Sandra Anderson, and guards Becky Lutz and Linda Eldridge, complete the roster of the 1984 version of the Buckingham Lady Knights.

"The team is relatively small this year, in terms of height," notes Davis, a native of Buckingham County and a 1976 graduate of the University of Richmond.

"Alice Apperson, at 5-9, is our biggest player. But, I've been pleased with the way the girls have worked in practice. They've picked up my coaching methods well, and they've shown excellent attitudes and are working together well."

In the first two games of the season, Apperson led all scorers with 20 points against Brookville, and 29 points against Appomattox.

Seay has also scored well

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